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The renomination of Governor Coolidge in the Republican primary in Massachusetts, shows that the people will not go back on a man in public office who has the courage to do his duty in the face of a threatening situation. His determined stand for the rights of the public in the recent police strike in Boston greatly increased his popularity.

The appellate division of the New York Supreme Court has handed down a decision upholding the ruling of a lower court that a home-made drink extracted from grapes is not wine, but grape juice. Under this decision, where is the court that would dare impose a penalty upon a householder for any changes it may undergo as a result of nature's interference?

Von der Goltz and his army in the Baltic provinces have joined the Bolshevists. That is probably what the German government sent them there for, although it expresses surprise and regret at the incident. Since the German government confesses itself powerless to enforce its orders as to evacuation. the allies will probably have to send an expedition there to see what can be done toward clearing up the situation.

National prohibition was adopted in Norway this week by a general plebiscite. That is the democratic way of doing things. The proposal contemplates an innovation in the habits and customs of the people by legal enactment, and the people were entitled to say whether they favor such innovation. They have replied in the affirmative. In America, where we boast of our democracy, this right has been denied the people. National prohibition has been forced upon them without giving them the opportunity of expressing a choice in the matter.

Three deaths during the first day of the transcontinental air race seems a fearful price to pay, yet history is merely repeating itself with fatal accuracy in the toll charged for every human conquest over the forces of nature. To the unthinking, the present flight is little more than a spectacle with its attendant dangers and thrills and lasting glory for the victor, but that is a mere incident. Otherwise it would be a waste of money and an unjustifiable risking of life. In it are vast potentialities, and the crosscontinent pioneers of the air are the precursors of others, who, in a few years, will be carrying the commerce of the air to every corner of America. Those who brave the perils now are making the air lanes safe for those who follow.

D'Annunzio declares a state of war exists with Jugo-Slavia, Roumania has defied the allies in Hungary and is on the verge of war with Serbia, Turkey is still slaughtering the Armenians, Greece is ready to resist with force the surrender of Thrace, and, finally, the allied supreme council has declared an economic blockade of Germany, with accompanying ultimatum by Marshal Foch to Germany to recall its armed forces from the Baltic provinces forthwith. Until the treaty is ratified, the allies are without adequate means for enforcing its provisions to bring about a settlement of all of these conflicting national interests. Yet the Republican majority in the Senate, without any reasonable excuse whatever, delays action on this important document, while the whole of Europe daily verges closer to another great conflict of arms.

Against the charge of outrageous couditions existing in the service of the United States Steel Corporation, made by those who have engineered the present strike, the fact stands that the corporation maintains a combination of high wages, paid to certain groups of workers; company unions, unaffiliated, of course, with other unions; and a species of welfare work in the form of stock distribution and pensions. Moreover, its announced attitude is that of willingness to confer with rapresentatives of its own employees at any time respecting any grievances they may have to present. These conditions seem to have been satisfactory to the workers until American Federation organizers began their work to bring about discontent, and if claims of the company officials be true that American workers are still loyal to the corporation. the strikers being mainly composed of foreigners, the present walkout would appear to/have been mainly induced by meddlesome interference from the outside with a sinister purpose back of it that does not hesitate to sacrifice the interests of the workers to further its scheme. . No doubt the Senate committee investigating the strike will succeed in bringing into the light of publicity all the facts relating to this industrial conflict, in

which, it is to be hoped, knowledge will be fully disclosed as to whether this is a strike of dissatisfied employees or whether it marks the first step in an economic revolution.

Withdrawing the Peace Treaty

PRESIDENT WILSON'S reiterated declaration that he is indisposed to compromise with the amenders or the reservationists upon the peace treaty, coupled with the defection on the part of a group of Democrats in favor of very definite reservations, point with some measure of probability to a deadlock between the President and the Senate. And various intimations have been voiced to the effect that Mr. Wilson is prepared to withdraw the treaty from consideration by the Senate if any reservation is made which denatures that document.

That the President has a legal right to take such a course, if he chooses to do so, seems to be unquestioned. There are many precedents for such action, although it is not recorded that any chief executive took it upon himself to withdraw so vital a pact as a treaty of peace. Be that as it may. President Wilson, as the treaty-making official of the government, may recall the document he has presented in this instance, and may do it at any time he desires, either before it is voted on, after it has been amended or even after it has been ratified.

This being granted, as it is even by his opponents, the question of the advisability of taking so radical a course and of assuming the consequences, which are certain, is one of momentous importance. Only the most desperate necessity could induce Mr. Wilson to move in that direction. In fact, only the certainty in his mind that the treaty would be, or had been, butchered, its meaning perverted and its vital character destroyed, should or could induce him to demand that the treaty be abandoned by the Senate.

Once withdrawn, it would be difficult to redraft and resubmit it to the Senate for consideration. It might, of course, be recommitted to the peace conference for such changes as would make it acceptable to twothirds of the Senate, but the result of such recommittal would be doubtful at best. If the treaty failed there, the only course left for this government to take would be the negotiation of a separate treaty with Germany and another with Austria.

It is suggested that the President, finding himself defeated and his treaty mutilated beyond recognition, might invite the Senate to nominate a group of peace commissioners, who would replace those whom he named, but this seems to be the least likely step for him to take. He is not given to that sort of surrender. He is not the sort of man who throws up his hands in that submissive fashion.

One other move might be made, and, in fact, often has been suggested. Congress might, of its own accord, pass a joint resolution, declaring that a state of peace exists between the United States and the central powers. But this would settle nothing at all except to substitute a technical peace for a technical war. No issue between the governments involved would be met. No terms would be imposed on Germany. No exactions would, or perhaps could, be enforced against the enemy. Although the withdrawal of the treaty is one of the possibilities of the situation, it is so remote a possibility as to be difficult of anticipation.

More About Glass Houses

THERE is in the House of Representatives a gentleman by the name of Blanton, who has the honor and no doubt the pride to represent a congressional district in the great empire State of Texas. This gentleman, born and bred a Democrat, reared in that school and elected to Congress as such, rates himself as a member of the minority party, also with pride, it may be assumed. The other day, however, the Texas Democrat brought upon the floor of the House a series of interesting resolutions, all of them designed to embarrass, and if possible to compromise the Democratic administration. Lacking support in his own party, he eagerly turned to the majority and gratefully received all the votes he required from the camp of the enemy; to put his legislative investigation program across.

Among the resolutions which Mr. Blanton offered and caused to be adopted was one providing for a legislative inquiry into official nepotism. It demands to know who and how many officials of the government there are having relatives in the public service. It demands to know how many government clerks-the lowest paid skilled labor in the country-are related to each other by blood or by marriage. It demands to know to what extent favoritism is practiced in the government by reason of kinship or other relationships of a family nature.

All this sounds pure and virtuous. It leads one, unacquainted with Washington affairs, to assume that the public service is reeking with the things intimated in this resolution. It might even be assumed that the President has planted all his relatives and all his wifes relatives in some department of the government. It smacks of bad business and gives all of us a moment of resentment against any condition that is approximately as outrageous as the Blanton resolution suggests. One feels like grasping this fearless Congressman's hand with a word of praise for his braving the unworthy powers that be.

But it is not as it seems. The resolution may be inherently good, but it comes to light that it proceeds from a totally unworthy source. In the course of the debate which took place upon the measure, certain of Mr. Blanton's associates, knowing him to be the most blatant of demagogues and the most irresponsible of charlatans, drew the record on him, showing that there were at that moment three members of his own family on the pay roll of the government, not including himself. And so another idol crumbles to dust. Another incipient hero turns to mud.

I. W. W. prisoners at Leavenworth, Kan. have threatened to starve themselves if not released. The prison cooks should be immediately notified that they are entitled to a vacation, and that the vacation season is now at hand.

Summer lingering in the lap of autumn may be scandalous, but the performance excites the applause of the citizen whose last winter suit is impossible and whose present cash assets are negligible.

Not even periodical resignations of his Cabinet can make the Sultan of Turkey interesting or important these days.

By queer contradiction it appears that in several cities the speak-easy with a pull never is pulled.

SEEN ON THE SIDE BY HENRY EDWARD WARNER

The Profiteer. She begged him for a sealskin,

But he turned the marble heart; She threatened she would leave him, But he laughed, and stood apart! She pleaded and cajoled, but He was adamant; his eye Was coolly calculating

She turned her tears to profit And she got the coat, the dear! . . . When nothing else would do it, Then she sprang the profit tear!

Till she started in to cry.

Charcoal Eph's Daily Thought. "Dey ain' no place in de worl' fo' a ol' maid." said Charcoal Eph, in a mood, "'ceptin' 'tis looin' aftah other folkses chillun or buttin' into other folkses married troubles. Try a hunk o' pie, Mistah Jackson."

Moods change when men grow older, but who does not thrill when he sees a straw ride go by, huh?

Her Reason.

"So you've decided to dish Charlie, Mabel?" "Uh-huh; yep!"

"But why? He is rich, handsome, attractive, popular-

"That's it, dearie. He's a fine fellow to run with, but when I marry I want to get a man that's got no place to go but HOME!"

The City Directory of Philadelphia shows that there is a plumber in that town named Quorto Whitsky. The only way to overcome this terrific lead of Evil is for some Quaker City Reformer to name his next child Sarsaparilla.

It's as hard to find a servant who'll stick these days as it used to be to locate that collar

And the World Wags On. The poorest man robs the poor man and the

poor man robs the clerk, And the man who carns his living robs the man who doesn't work; And the man who doesn't work, he robs the

proletariet. Till among the bunch of thieves it's hard to tell where one is at!

The Rhyming Optimist,

Apple Pie

When ordering my luncheon I don't put up any bluff and then later have to munch on weird concections that are tough. I have never studied Latin, Hebrew or Chinese or Greek, so I've no chance to get fat in lands where these are what they speak. Therefore I have always tarried in the good old U.S. A., where I'd know what foods were carried when the waiter said his say. When the menu bears upon it words like opera singers use, I will take no chances on it, for I'm certain I would lose. No, I take that foreign waiter and I look him in the eye as I say with heaps of hateur: "I will take one apple pie!" Now there are a lot of pleasures in the past for which I sigh; but of all those vanished treasures chiefest was Ma's apple pie, and it may be just my notion, but wherever I may dine, clear from ocean back to ocean, apple pie is always fine. May-be there was magic hidden in those early apple pies that today comes back unbidden when the fragrant odors rise. Many other pies I've tasted, but I often thing with sighs that the money-on them wasted might have bought me apple pies. Other eats I find unstable, sometimes bad and sometimes good, but at any sort of table apple pie's the one best food. Though the apples may get higher, though the cost of sugar rise, I must still this one desire with my daily apple pies. I will order up my juncheon, look the waiter in the eye saying: "Bring me in my truncheon one fat, out-sized apple pie!"

From Other Viewpoints BY NEWELL DWIGHT HILLIS Our Constitution and Others

If we are to understand the message of our own Constitution it is necessary to contrast the genius of this political instrument with other republics of the world. Time has performed many exploits since Athens became a republic. There were 3,000 white men in Athens who had the ballot and 30,000 white men who were slaves and wore fetters. Rome became a republic, but once the ruler had been elected he assumed all the rights of an autocrat and slew his rivals at will. Venice was a republic with counsellors who elected the dege, but these men exercised the right of life and death over their rivals. The Dutch people founded a republic, but only the patrician class could vote. Switzerald has long known several republics, but Uri and Unterwalden have 1,000 men, women and children who assemble twice each year, pass all laws and are their own representatives and rulers.

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each year, pass all laws and are their own representatives and rulers.

Always there have been ideals of liberty in the world just as there have always been steam and wild horses. But the steam was unharnessed and waited for a locomotive to be invented by Stephenson through which it could work. For ages there were wild horses on the plains, but these steeds waited for man to auddue their strength to the use of man's burdens. Always there have been the forces of liberty in every age and clime, but liberty waited for centuries for Hamilton and Washington and Franklin to organize a political machine through which the ideal forces of selfgovernment could manifest themselves, while each citizen asked and answered these questions: What is the truth as to slavery? What is protective tariff truth? What is financial truth? What is industrial truth? Through the Constitution every citizen finds it possible to govern himself and the reason, therefore, that the Constitution has endured the shock of time is it is a political machine that works better than any other machine that has been invented. This is the test of every tool. Does it work? The loom works—it weaves cloth against the winter. The reaper works—it cuts and binds wheat. The steamship works—it carries men across the ocean. The American Constitution works—it enables man to express his will upon every problem of war, peace, taxes, city government, education and thus govern himself. It is often said that republics have short lives. The answer is that a wooden plow goes, when a steel plow comes; that a log canoe goes, when a steel plow comes; that a log canoe goes, when a steel plow comes; that a log canoe goes, when the steamship comes. It does not follow, however, once the exact fact has been discovered that the fact will go. Euclid found that the whole of an apple is equal to all of the

improved, but principles endure forever with the endurance of an eternal God who made them.

Great events demand long time for perspective. No traveler understands the Alps until he reaches Italy. Looking backward from the shores of Lake Como the scientist discovers the relations between the Matterhorn and Monte Rosa. Not otherwise students needed 152 years history to fully appreciate the genius of the American Constitution. Back of this immortal document stands a group of immortal men. Back of all jurisprudence stands a grant—Moses; back of the new continent stands a great man—Columbus; back of the "principla" stands an illustrious thinker—Newton, and back of this standard of self-government, to which the other nations of the earth have finally repaired, stands a company of supreme men. Looking back ward we behold the man called "the morning star of the revolution." Samuel Adams. We recall the screne wisdom of John Jay, the sturdy intellect of John Adams, the supreme genius of Benjamin Franklin, the sublime character of the ever-living and immortal Washington. And in terms of creative thinking, in the political realm, the leader not only of this group, but of every group in history, is Alexander Hamilton, the creator of the Constitution. "The sacred rights of mankind," exclaimed Alexander Hamilton, the creator of the Constitution. "The sacred rights of mankind," exclaimed Alexander Hamilton, the creator of the Constitution based this political instrument upon foundations of eternal justice, equal rights and the divine equipment of all men for self-government and self-control—principles these as firm as the mountains and as enduring as the stars. as enduring as the stars.

Health Talks by Dr. Wm. Brady Terribly Prolific Family (Copyright 1918, oy National Newspaper Serv' 9.

Professor Nuttail, a bacteriologist who sometimes sours to higher planes of study, records an enumeration he made of the "company" present on the head of a woman regarded as a moderately gracious host of Pediculus capitis. The guests number 1.004. The female of the species lays about 300 eggs in twenty-four hours. The egg to egg cycle of life for Mr. and Mrs. Pediculus is about sixteen days. The average duration of life in the Pediculus clan is up to thirty days. Mrs. Pediculus presents the old boy with 2.000 descendants and her daughters join in the work to the tune of 113.000 more descendants in a period of forty-eight days. Company is company! It makes hard hoeing for the f. t. comb.

Where do the children get 'em?' Well, chil-

Where do the children get 'em? Well, children are affectionate and not at all squeamish or discriminating. They put their heads together over many a problem. In many public schools some of the children are constantly infested with lice, and these children are as likely to come from the well-to-do homes as from the poorer homes. Hats, caps, the upholstery of car seats, brushes used by other persons, and the fingers or finger nails may convey lice.

A louse will sham death for many hours.
You never can trust the critter. Nor can you drown one, nor starve him, nor freeze him to

but to ask at one of their omnipresent tents, and a lad skilled in first aid would render efficient and willing help; or if you needed a guide or a messenger the first lad in khaki you met was ready at your service.

But to me the most beautiful feature of the unselfish service of the Boy Scout was his dis-

News of Fifty Years Ago (From the Richmond Dispatch, Oct. 10, 1869)

WOULD REMOVE CIVIL WAR | SENATOR NELSON REPLIES FROM BOOKS OF HISTORY TO OPPONENTS OF TREATY

Offer Resolution at Atlanta Meeting Minnesota Republican Compares to Call Conflict of 1861-65 "Confederate War."

ASK PENSION FOR VETERANS

Charged National Government Owes South \$68,000,000 for Confiscated Cotton and \$25,000,000 for Captured Property.

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The primary effects of head lice are transitory prickling or itching sensations, and later there is perhaps restlessness or sleeplessness, irritability, anemia, general debility.

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Pact Foes' Tactics With Hun Friends' Policy During War. RESORT TO BRITISH-JAP SCARE

Pro-German Influences Paint in Lurid Hues Threatening Dangers of This Country From Eastern and Western Island Empires.

Thirty thousand dollars is needed to a park is described by a number of the Boy Scout was his disinterestedness. The Boy Scout was the only unpaid volunteer at the fair, who was not trying to get something from the visitor. His service was his daily good turn.

But yesterday I looked in vain for my little friends, the Scouts, and that is why I write, in he longer a feature of our fair. A VISITOR.

Ilichmond, Va., October 8, 1919.

Keyboard Touches

By Frank H. Brooks
To Be Avoided Hereafter.

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Meeting of American Legion.

Over 500 invittations have been issued by the War Camp Community Service to a dinner to be given tomorrow night at the Army Club, in honor of Petersburg Post No. 2, American Legion. The Army Club has been turned over to the American Legion to be used as headquarters and clubhouse. The post has now several bundred members, and it is to stimulate the membership of the organization that the dinner is given. Among the speakers will be Major-General Omar Bundy, commander of Camp Lee: Mayor Robert Gilliam, Major Samuel W. Zimmer and Captain Charles T. Lassiter.

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Democrate Plan Picnic.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA. Oct. 9.—
The Democrats of Stafford County have arranged to have a big rally at the courthouse on Tuesday. October 21. at which United States Senator Claude A. Swanson and Representative R. Walton Moore will be the principal speakers. Among others who will speak are State Senator C. O'Conor Goolrick and Delegate Thomas L. Hunter. The party authorities also are arranging a basket dinner.